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NOTICE OF MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Thursday,
August 16th, at 7.45.p.m.

THIS WILL BE A NATURE FILM EVENING.

The films include "The Peace Game" - an excellent
film on African Wild Life.

OUTING

Date - Saturday August 18th.

Time - meet at 10.a.m.

Place - at the Prince Theatre.

Destination - will be given at the meeting.

"TASMANIAN NATURALIST"

The next issue will be larger than usual, as it
will include a special review of the ecology
of Lake Edgar.

You can look forward to receiving it with your
SEPTEMBER BULLETIN.

COMMITTEE MEETING

Next meeting of the Committee will be held at
6 Richardson Ave, Dynnyrne, at 8.p.m. on
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8th.

If there is anything you think should be
discussed by the Committee, ask one of the
committee members to bring it up.

WHALES

Although the International Whaling Commission
turned down the proposed moratorium on the
hunting of whales, there are other safeguards.
Australia will sign the Convention on International
Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and
Flora. Five species of whale have been placed
on Appendix 1. of the Convention.

Coming Events

Thursday September 20th will be MEMBERS' NIGHT.

The time will be divided between three members, so back them up by rolling up to hear what they have to say.

Sunday, September 23rd.

This Outing will be worth looking forward to. We have been invited to visit Mr. and Mrs. Luckman's property near Sorell.

So put this Special Day in your diary now!

Remember the BUS OUTING in November.

FEDERATION

The half-yearly meeting will be held at DEVONPORT on Saturday September 22nd at 1.p.m. at the Devonport High School, Best Street.

Have you ever roamed the bush at "Ellendale"? This is on the programme for OCTOBER OUTING

LIBRARY NOTES

Received - Notornis - Vol 20 part 2. June 1973 Journal of the Ornithological Society of N.Z. ...Contains Annual General Meeting 1973, Reports and Accounts; Interesting notes on the tongues of kiwis, and of five sea birds; two articles on oystercatchers; (no - three); as well as many other bird notes. It reviews four records of sounds of nature (mostly birds).

This book may be borrowed from the Library.

From NEN - (North Eastern Naturalists)

Their August meeting will be a short formal meeting first, then a general Club night when members can bring plants forward for discussion or identification, talk about any subject, discuss books on any of the aspects of nature, and so on... usual tea or coffee and biscuits etc to conclude.

... and to add to the social side they propose to end one of their Outings with a Barbecue

and for their September meeting they are hoping to have Mr. Norton Harvey from Launceston Walking Club to show films or slides of many areas of Tasmania, including Flinders Island.

From Nats News (Devonport Field Naturalists' Club)

At their next meeting they are going to hear a member of the North West Walking Club give a short talk on "Safety in the Bush", after which they will be entertained by a slide show. N.W.W.C. slides could cover anything from Mountaineering, Caverneering, Search & Rescue operations to Canoeing or Skiing, so they look forward to a very satisfying evening.

Their Outing is to Fossil Bluff, and to the Pioneer Village Museum at Burnie.

On June 10th they combined with Circular Head Conservation Trust, Burnie Field Nats, and N.W. Conservation Trust members for an outing to the Arthur River - a bus tour. En Route they were joined by Forestry Officer Mr Peter Duckworth who acted as guide and explained the work of the Forestry Commission in timber resource exploitation and regeneration.

They saw many types of country - dairy farms, with belts of trees, buttongrass plains, rain forest, rocks for geologist members, crushed slate roads, ... (lunched on the bank of the Arthur River by the bridge) - areas where seeding with native species had been carried out. They were sad to think of the possibility of lovely rainforest areas being devastated by river dredging for tin.....

